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ORGAN MASS, CONTROLLING
FERTILITY AND ENHANCING
ASEXUAL REPRODUCTION IN
PLANTS

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Art Unit: 1638

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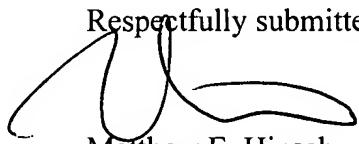
The references cited on attached form PTO/SB/08A are being called to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references can be found in Application No. 09/227,421, filed January 8, 1999 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,559,357 B1 on May 6, 2003 (Attorney Docket No. 023070-090700US) and Application No. 09/479,855, filed January 7, 2000 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,639,128 B1 on October 28, 2003 (Attorney Docket No. 023070-090720US). Copies of references AA and AI are enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be

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